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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed for filing in the application referenced above are the following:

- Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required to Deposit and the Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Please return the enclosed postcard to confirm that the items listed above have been received.

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#### REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

In reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed May 18, 2006, Applicant submits that the sheet labeled "Exhibit A" submitted with the May 5, 2006, Amendment is not an amendment to the drawings, but merely is an exhibit in support of arguments made in the Amendment.

Since the figure shown in "Exhibit A" was submitted only as an exhibit and not as an amendment to the drawings, the regulations associated with 37 C.F.R. 1.121(d) do not apply. Accordingly, Applicant submits that the Amendment as originally filed complies with 37 C.F.R. 1.121 and should be considered, and that Notice should be withdrawn.

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